

Amendment No. 1 to HB2350

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Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2212

House Bill No. 2350*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-207, is amended by adding the following new subsection (n):

(n)

(1) The committee shall provide for the financing of the plan and determine premiums, co-payments, benefit levels, and the disposition of government grants and subsidies to assist in the funding and provision of health insurance for enrolled individuals.

(2) Local government agencies enrolled in the plan shall cooperate with the committee in implementing and complying with the determinations of the committee as set forth in section (a). This cooperation includes entering into contracts or memoranda of understanding reflecting the financial determinations of the committee.

(3) The committee is authorized to take either or both of the following actions in response to a local government agency's failure to cooperate with the committee as required by this section:

(A) Assess and collect from the local government agency the costs incurred by the agency's failure to cooperate; and

(B) Terminate the local government agency's participation in the plan.

(4) The termination of the local government agency's participation shall be in effect for two (2) years, and shall be in effect regardless of any language in this chapter to the contrary regarding reinstatement to the plan.

(5) The local government agency shall have the right to request reconsideration of its exclusion before the Committee. The committee's decision of the request for reconsideration shall be final.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-303, is amended by adding the following subsection (k):

(k)

(1) The committee shall provide for the financing of the plan and determine premiums, co-payments, benefit levels, and the disposition of government grants and subsidies to assist in the funding and provision of health insurance for enrolled individuals.

(2) Local education agencies enrolled in the plan shall cooperate with the committee in implementing and complying with the determinations of the committee as set forth in section (a). This cooperation includes entering into contracts or memoranda of understanding reflecting the financial determinations of the committee.

(3) The committee is authorized to take either or both of the following actions in response to a local education agency's failure to cooperate with the committee as required by this section:

(A) Assess and collect from the local education agency the costs incurred by the agency's failure to cooperate; and

(B) Terminate the local education agency's participation in the plan.

(4) The termination of the local education agency's participation shall be in effect for two (2) years, and shall be in effect regardless of any language in this chapter to the contrary regarding reinstatement to the plan.

(5) The local education agency shall have the right to request reconsideration of its exclusion before the Committee. The committee's decision of the request for reconsideration shall be final.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.